



**City of Santa Barbara  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Wednesday, November 9, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to Order 6:07pm

**ROLL CALL**

Heaton, Brittany  
Foxen, Sally  
Lydon, Stacey  
Longstreet, Beebe  
Soto, Ana

**Staff Present**

NOS Senior Supervisor Mark Alvarado

**Liaisons Present**

Cathy Murrillo – City Council  
Nicholas Crisosto - Community Development & Human Services Committee

**Advisory Council Members Absent**

Dunphy, Amy  
Lafond, Susan

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nicholas Crisosto - Community Development & Human Services Committee

- No one has been volunteering to be a liaison for N.A.C. – hopefully in January there will be a liaison
- Consider communicating to the City re: sidewalk access - overgrown hedges etc
  - Information in water bill

**COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Murillo:

- Chief Lunhow will be attending the Westside Neighborhood Association meeting
  - Path will be there as well, providing food
- Update on RV ordinance
  - Councilmembers Murillo and Hotchkiss appointed to ad-hoc committee to discuss RV ordinance

- Dan McGrue from Police Dept, Safe Parking, Scott Reedman from Waterfront
- Debra Barnes and Peter Barron and leaders from RV dwellers to be on committee as well
- Brown Act regulated meetings in Public

M. Alvarado:

- Arts Alliance kids from Franklin Center had a Dia de Los Muertos display at the Bowl - 12 kids
- Ending 2<sup>nd</sup> year on CalGrip program partnership with C.A.C. – 1 year left trying to target focus on 30 kids
- Volunteer Income Tax Program here at Franklin starting in January, 1235 Chapala is Westside venue
- Youth Council did a Speak Out on Prop 64 – took leadership on a controversial issue
- Food Distribution – now catering to people with diabetes
- Rotary set to remediate Children’s Garden in Lower Westside Area
- Working on signage for Coronel Place
- Has a meeting scheduled with Fire Dept regarding getting brush pushed back
- Met with the Chief regarding traffic on the Eastside
- December meeting will be at Franklin – George Thompson will be here for CDBG

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. None

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. Subject: Santa Barbara Police Department Presentation – **For Information Only**

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council receive an introduction from Police Chief Lori Lunhow regarding her vision for the police department and community policing in Santa Barbara neighborhoods.

The Neighborhood Advisory Council received a presentation from Police Chief Lori Lunhow regarding her vision for the police department and community policing in Santa Barbara neighborhoods including:

Trying to change the culture of the department – takes about 3 years  
 Trying to create trust within the community  
 Has a Community Oriented Policing Philosophy  
 Staffing Shortages coming to an end – 9 months out from being staffed

Does not need Deputy Chief – will not backfill position, Used the salary savings for:

- a crime analysis tool to give real-time crime view
- Software purchase for Internal Affairs unit for mandated reporting and transparency
- Equipment needs replacing

Tactical Patrol force uses bicycles – do not have officers, officers busy on radio calls  
Trying to get Beat Coordinator positions filled  
Want more resources in Restorative Policing Unit  
Need more traffic officers to address potential repercussions of Prop 46  
No plans for police storefront on Westside – prefer officers out in community than in office  
Fully bilingual officers – high 20s – recognize the need for the skill  
Be mindful of training needs 30% has less than 2 yrs on police force  
More than half pf calls are related to homeless  
New noise ordinance came into effect last February- A part is getting SNAP officers (4 in backgrounds) – It is a civil fine

Public Comment:

Nicholas Crisosto Brad Hardison

- Has had bad interactions with several officers over last few years on Eastside
- Last interaction just last week very different – great interaction
- Several concerns about nuisance crimes in Eastside

Brad Hardison

- Has told City Council that noise ordinance isn't working
- Nuisances are a big deal because they can turn violent
- Appreciate what the Police Chief has said
- Looks like things are headed in the right direction

John Fragosa

- Santa Barbara resident all life long – near Ortega park, knows area well
- Concerned about Ortega Park
- Right now we are being reactive rather than proactive
- Or neighborhood should not be intimidated

**NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES**

Lafond:

- Event next Monday at Davis Center for the community to meet the new Police Chief
- Last Westside Community Group meeting discussed Adopt a Block program
  - Discussed neighborhood cleanup
  - Contract with Marborg – Trying to get additional public cleanup on streets
  - We can call 911 when someone is dumping something illegal
- Signed up 12 new people to be Block Captains for adopt a block
- Coordinating Thanksgiving dinner with Boys and Girls Club on November 17<sup>th</sup>

Soto:

- Cars were broken into on the Eastside – lock your cars, do not leave valuables in your cars
- Friday BiCi Centro will be giving out free bike lights on Yanonali from 4pm-6pm

Longstreet:

- Now on Implementation Group for SBCC Neighborhood Task Force – someone dropped out
  - Will be attending those meetings if anyone has info for that area
  - SBCC down 3000 students, 12M in deficit and will be doing layoffs
- Officer Kerr did work on the drug house in the Westside

Foxen:

- Went to the Davis Center in September and saw Senior Citizen Tai Chi class

- Senior Citizen Calendar at Davis
- Movie nights with popcorn
- Senior lunch program

Aldana:

- Noticed a lot more traffic on Milpas – can we have another study done to warrant a street light
- Left turn signals on Milpas – arrows
- Cabrillo BLVD and Los Ninos – flashing red light for a couple months – what is going on?

#### **ADJOURNMENT 7:34pm**

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Next regular meeting:                      Location TBD  
*Wednesday, December 14, 2016, 6:00 p.m.*